



BAY AREA
AIR QUALITY
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DISTRICT

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

September 20, 2021

TO: INTERESTED PARTIES
FROM: EXECUTIVE OFFICER / APCO
SUBJECT: **PUBLIC HEARING: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO REFINERY RULES DEFINITIONS**

NOTICE: The Air District is taking steps to ensure Bay Area air quality and public health are protected while the shelter in place order in San Francisco and other Bay Area counties is in place. This includes closing our 375 Beale Street office in San Francisco until further notice. For more information, please visit our website:

<https://www.baaqmd.gov/news-and-events/page-resources/2020-news/air-districtoperations>

On **Wednesday, November 3, 2021**, the Board of Directors of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District will conduct a public hearing to consider proposed amendments to Refinery Rules, and the adoption of a Notice of Exemption pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The hearing will be held in the first floor Board Room, 375 Beale Street, San Francisco. District Board meetings commence at 9:45 a.m.

The proposed amendments will be to the following Refinery Rules:

Regulation	Rule
Regulation 3: Fees	-
Regulation 6: Particulate Matter	6-5
Regulation 8: Organic Compounds	8-1, 8-2, 8-5, 8-6, 8-7, 8-8, 8-9, 8-10, 8-18, 8-28, 8-33, 8-39, 8-44, 8-53
Regulation 9: Inorganic Compounds	9-1, 9-10
Regulation 11: Hazardous Pollutants	11-10
Regulation 12: Misc. Standards of Performance	12-11, 12-12, 12-15

The purpose of the proposed amendments is to ensure that the facilities that produce fuels and other products from non-petroleum feedstocks remain subject to and in compliance with the same emission standards and rule requirements that were in effect when the feedstock was petroleum based. Without these proposed amendments to existing Air District Rules and Regulations, the facilities that change to non-petroleum operation may no longer be subject to the emission standards and other regulatory requirements that currently apply to them.

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Air District has concluded that the proposed amendments are exempt under CEQA guidelines Section 15301, Class 1. The rule amendment would involve negligible or no expansion of an existing use. Actual emissions will not increase. Air District Staff will file a Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk after adoption by the Board of Directors.

A Public Hearing Notice, Staff Report, and Proposed Amended Rules will be available on the District's web site at <http://baaqmd.gov/refineryrulesdefinitions>, or by request, at least 30 days before the public hearing. Questions, comments, or requests for copies of the proposed amended rule should be directed to Ed Giacometti at (415) 749-8414, or via e-mail to egiacometti@baaqmd.gov. Written comments on the proposed revisions will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on **Monday, October 11, 2021**.